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Victim Services Interagency Council of North Carolina

cordially invites you to attend the annual

Crime Victims' Rights Week Ceremony ~ 2013

Keynote Speaker

Jessica Gorall

Tuesday, April 23rd, 2013

6:00 pm Reception (Refreshments will be served)

7:00 pm Ceremony

Colonial Baptist Church

6051 Tryon Rd.

Cary, NC

In March of 2010, Jessica Gorall became the victim of a violent crime which took the life of her mother, Kathy Taft. Jessica and her mother often told friends that "they grew up together." She and Kathy had an extremely close and loving relationship. Kathy had just returned from a three week visit in Florida, with Jessica and her family, the week before her violent death. As you can imagine, the shocking phone call on Saturday, March 6th, devastated Jessica and the rest of her family. It has only been three years since this tragedy and Jessica, like most of her relatives, still has a tough time grasping the reality.

Jessica does not want this tragedy to define her. She wishes to live out her mother's legacy of service, warmth, and devotion to her community. Jessica's mother spent most of her life teaching her children, grandchildren, and friends about good character and perseverance. Kathy devoted her life to education and continuously advocated for those less fortunate in life.

This may sound cliché, but everyone that knew Kathy, loved Kathy.

It is obvious that Jessica is on her way to fulfilling some of her mother's goodwill. Jessica has her undergraduate degree in Finance and her Masters in Special Education. She teaches Algebra, tutors, and assists her husband with a small family real estate business. Jessica replaced her mother's position on the Women's Round Table at East Carolina University and presently serves on the board of this organization.

Jessica is honored to speak today and to continue her mother's legacy.

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Victim Services Interagency Council of North Carolina Crime Victims' Rights Week Ceremony ~ 2013 Remembrance Submission Instructions

A special video presentation will be created for the **April 23, 2013**
Crime Victims' Rights Week ceremony in order to remember and honor crime victims through
name submissions, written expressions and/or photos.

Please complete the attached form and return it to the contact below.

If possible, please only submit .jpg photos via email to: **Elizabeth@nc-van.org**
If you would like to submit text, please submit it in a .pdf format.

If you can only submit actual photos or videos, please mail* to:

**NCVAN
Attn: Elizabeth Watson
130 Penmarc Drive, Suite 101
Raleigh, NC 27603**

*Mailed submissions will NOT be returned

For assistance, please contact Elizabeth Watson at 919.831.2857

Deadline for submissions is March 31, 2013.

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Crime Victim Tribute Submission

Please submit information you would like included in the crime victim tribute video.

Name of Victim: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: _____

Date of Offense: _____ Type of Offense: _____

Please include the information above in the video, but ☐ I am ☐ **AM NOT** submitting a photo.

I would like the above mentioned remembered and I am ☐ emailing ☐ mailing a photo or video.

Optional Written Expression (20 words or less):

Submission made by:

Name: _____

Address: _____

(City/State/Zip)

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

I ☐ **do** ☐ **do not** plan to attend the event at Colonial Baptist Church on April 23, 2013

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The Victim Services Interagency Council of N.C. reserves the right to edit submissions. By completing this form and making a submission to this project, you understand the video produced from your submission may be redistributed through the internet and other media channels, and may be viewed by the general public for the purpose of promoting Crime Victims' Rights and awareness events.

**Directions
to
Colonial
Baptist
Church**

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2013**

**Colonial Baptist Church
6051 Tryon Rd.
Cary, NC**

The event will be held in the **Choir Room**, which is on the west side of the Worship Center. Please follow the signs to the parking area and you will see the entrance.

Colonial Baptist Church is located at the intersection of Tryon Road and Walnut Street/Holly Springs Road in Southeastern Cary. This is convenient to the North and East from Interstates 40 and 440 (the Raleigh Beltline), and to the West and South from US Routes 1 and 64, and NC Route 55.

From the South and West - Route 1

Take the Cary Parkway exit.

Turn right at the top of the exit ramp.

Take the first left on Tryon Road at the traffic light, and continue for approximately 1 mile. Colonial Baptist Church is on your right.

From the East

Interstate 440 West

Take Exit 295 (Gorman Street) and turn left at the top of the ramp.

Continue on Gorman Street for ¼ mile

Turn right on Tryon Road at the traffic light.

Proceed on Tryon Road for 2 ½ miles.

Colonial Baptist Church is on your left.

From the North

Interstate 440 South

Take the Walnut Street Exit and turn right at the bottom of the ramp.

Proceed south on Walnut Street for 1 ¼ miles.

Colonial Baptist Church is on your right
